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## Viewing cable 07NEWDELHI5280, RAILWAY MINISTER LALU REAFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR NUCLEAR DEAL BUT WANTS POLITICAL CONSENSUS

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| Reference ID   | Created          | Released         | Classification | Origin            |
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SUBJECT: RAILWAY MINISTER LALU REAFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR NUCLEAR DEAL BUT WANTS POLITICAL CONSENSUS  
Classified By: Ambassador David Mulford for Reasons 1.4 (B and D)  
1. (C) Summary: Minister of Railways and key government ally Lalu Prasad Yadav told the Ambassador December 7 that he sought to convince the I  
Yadav Supports Nuke Deal  
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12. (C) In a December 7 meeting with Minister of Railways and key government ally Lalu Prasad Yadav, the Ambassador thanked him for his positiv  
13. (C) The Ambassador recounted that he had attempted to sway the opposition BJP, but the party leaders repeated the same arguments in Parlian  
Faster, Heavier, Longer  
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14. (SBU) The Ambassador commended Yadav on his success in turning around Indian Railways. Yadav said that he operated the Railways according t  
Yadav Believes Left will Stay in West Bengal  
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15. (C) The Ambassador asked for Yadav's political observations in Gujarat and West Bengal. Yadav believed that Chief Minister Narendra Modi ha  
Comment: Yadav's Support Is Essential But Need for Consensus Remains  
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16. (C) Yadav, popularly known as Lalu, is known as one of the most savvy, colorful, grassroots politicians in India, and one of the three vits  
17. (C) But as Lalu made clear in his meeting, and as the other allies alluded in their speeches, support for the nuclear deal is contingent on  
18. (C) Bio Note: Lalu was attended by four key RJD Members of Parliament (MPs) and senior Rail Ministry bureaucrat, who greatly amplified the  
MULFORD